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CHARACTERISTIC VALUE

**RULE 116 AMENDMENT**

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

April 8, 2002

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated November 6, 2001, with an extension of time being petitioned to April 6, 2002, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.